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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- · Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/13/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/13/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/13/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/13/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 06/13/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/13/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/13/2005

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Processing fee of \$130 for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Small Entity:

• \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:





 Preliminary Amendments have not been entered because The Preliminary amendment is in german need translation.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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